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Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist
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Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist
Ashley Gallardi-Pietrangelo - Soloist

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00, 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Closed on Weekends & Holidays

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Baptism

Once monthly at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday
Preparation for Parents
and Godparents required.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office
at least six months in advance.
Preparation weekend is required.

Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
St. Mary School 905-354-7744

Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop
Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858
Church Dedicated 1895



New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, January 29

5:00 Anita & Roger Archambault *req. by Jeanne Lea & Family*
Jerry Shugg *req. by Cecilia Shugg*

Sunday, January 30

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Vincenzo & Angelica Lidzi *req. by the Family*
Clemente Della Marca *req. by the Della Marca Family*

11:30 Ruth Ibey *req. by Lillian Winslow*
Dec'd mem of the Argenta & Pietrobon Fam *req. by Diana Argenta*

Monday, January 31 St John Bosco

8:00 Pasquale Vittorio *req. by Lucia D'Angelo*
Bartolomeo Pietrangelo *req. by Carmela & Family*

Tuesday, February 1 World Day for Consecrated Life

8:00 For the Healing of Tony Gallo *req. by his Family*
Wendy Calder *req. by Friends*

Wednesday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 John Roy Buckner *req. by Friends*
Pacifico & Jenny Sacco *req. by Friends*

Thursday, February 3 St Blaise & St Ansgar

8:00 Dec'd of the Liberty & Lelievre Families *req. by Belle Liberty*
Ange & Reno Martin *req. by Friends*

Friday, February 4

8:00 John & David Kealey *req. by Friends*
Gus & Zorka Wach *req. by Friends*

Saturday, February 5 St Agatha

5:00 Rina Rampado *req. by Rick & Paula Rampado & Family*
Oscar & Mercedes Bonaguro *req. by the Family*

Sunday, February 6

8:00 Anselmo & Giuditta Pozzebon *req. by the Pozzebon Family*
Giuseppina Cavaliere *req. by Rocco Cavaliere*

9:30 Patrick O'Brien *req. by Ethel & Family*
Helena Lyons *req. by Lillian Winslow*

11:30 People of the Parish

2022 Church Envelopes

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes as soon as possible. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Many thanks.

Attention CWL new and existing members, your Membership Dues of \$25 for 2022 are now due. Please submit to the Church Office or drop in the Offertory as soon as possible. Thank you

The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

*Needs your help: Cash donations are appreciated as they receive no government funding. ncommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640
All donations can be dropped off at 4865 St. Lawrence Avenue*

Catholic Marriage Tribunal... If you are considering remarriage in the Catholic Church or hoping to enter a marriage with someone previously married, please speak to a priest, or contact the St. Catharines Catholic Marriage Tribunal at 905-687-8817 or tribunal@saintcd.com.

Little Flower Society Cards

Did you know that St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards in stock from the Carmelite's Little Flower Society? We have Healing Mass Cards, Living Intentions, Five-Year Memorial Cards, and also Perpetual Memorial Cards. By using those cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Carmelite Vocation Efforts, and our Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>
and watch Mass on our Facebook page

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Donata Faiella. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Guy Snyder, Charlene Shannon, Tony Gallo

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Sandra DeFoe, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Lena Loro, Rita Ross, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Joan Foell, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Rosanna Ricci, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Maureen Tustin, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Bianca MacDonnell, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanuz, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Charlene Shannon, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Polapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Francesco Albanese, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, Faith Amadio, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Flori Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Baby Victoria, Vital & Anna Chayer, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Commisso, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, Cheryl D'Amizio, Bob Marshall
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

Christmas: \$29,650.25

January 23: \$4,151.16

Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation: Saturday, April 30, 2022

First Communion: For those who were in Grade 2 last year (2021) will be celebrated on **Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 1:30pm**

First Communion for this year's Grade 2's will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm.**

(If you are a parishioner at St. Patrick Church, and have a child who does not attend St. Patrick or St. Mary Schools, and would like to celebrate their sacraments here, please contact the parish office for the registration forms.)

Are you tired of living alone? Consider Mount Carmel Home in St. Catharines. A retirement home operated by the Carmelite Sisters, offering assisted living in an affordable and caring family tradition. Care services include meals, housekeeping and medication management. If interested please call 905-685-9155 for a tour.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW? For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special approved **Gluten-Free hosts** available. The onus is on you to let the presiding priest know before each Mass. He will ensure that he has it in his ciborium for you.

We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies! Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass. Just a little dab'll do!



Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel continues from last week. Jesus is in his hometown of **Nazareth**. His townsfolk spoke highly of him and were amazed at the **gracious words** he spoke. Then things changed! "Is this not Joseph's son?", someone shouted! Jesus challenges his kin. They knew they were the chosen people! And they weren't open to anyone else being recipients of God's grace and salvation! Jesus, in all his wisdom, reminds them of the stories of the prophets Elijah and Elisha who went outside the Israelites to the Gentiles to work the wonders of God. He mentioned specifically a widow at Zarephath, and Naaman the Syrian, who were healed! Well, this upset the people, and they were filled with rage! What was Jesus doing? He was speaking a universal message from God, salvation for all. Jesus' kin were so upset they wanted to throw him over a cliff.

The crowd in Nazareth should have been rejoicing at the kingdom of God breaking into their midst. They fell into the old trap of trying to tell God how to act, telling God whom to bless and on what terms. It doesn't hurt to ask ourselves, "**Do I limit God's activities to what I think God should do? Do I try to create God in my own image, rather than the other way around?**" God does whatever God wants to do! God can be gracious to whomever God pleases. Do I really want a gracious God? Or do I want a God whose love and grace is limited or trickled down to just a few? Maybe this week we can all take the time to reflect on our relationship with God, and our images of God. Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



Ground Hog Day Wednesday, February 2nd!

According to folklore, if the groundhog sees its shadow on February 2, it will return to its burrow, indicating that there will be six more weeks of winter. If it does not see its shadow, then spring is on the way. Let's pray for a cloudy Wednesday!

St. Blaise

Thursday, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise. Given the Covid protocols, we will have a general Blessing of Throats at the 8:00 AM Mass.

Food Month

Let's make February **FOOD MONTH!** We are all invited to bring Macaroni and Cheese; canned pasta, canned soups, canned meats or tomato sauce to Mass on the weekends.

Let's make a difference in the lives of the hungry!



Presentation of the Lord

Wednesday, February 2nd is the Feast of The **Presentation of the Lord**. This comes forty days after Christmas. We also know it as the **Purification of the Blessed Virgin**, and **Candlemas Day!** Joseph and Mary did what was required of them. They presented their first-born male child to God. Simeon took Jesus in his arms and was moved to say, **my eyes have seen your salvation!** Now we know what salvation looks like. It takes on the face and body of a human being, Jesus. God has come among us in human form to live as we live, to experience life with us in all its wonder and sorrow, and to lead us to a new appreciation of what it means to be truly human.

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will remain open during this set-back with the Omicron Variant. Phones will be answered and all business will be conducted at the door. If you require a Mass Card, Little Flower Card, or Baptism Certificate, please call ahead and we will gladly have it ready for you. Because of recent thefts from our mailboxes, please do not leave anything in the mailbox after hours.

Is God calling You?

If you feel called to serve as an **Altar Server, Funeral Server or Lector**, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.

Weekday Rosary

Every morning at 7:30, the Holy Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church. **Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!**



Please take time to look at the back of our Parish Bulletin! These local advertisers pay for the printing/publishing of our bulletin. Let's do everything we can to **patronize them**, and let them know that you saw their AD here!

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 11- 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Parish Registration

Please help keep our records up to date! You may bring this form to the parish office or place it in the collection.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

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